

Table 1. The number of immigrants and foreign-born emigrants by decade: 1900-1989.

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[In thousands]

Period	Immigrants to the US	Foreign-born emigrants from the US	Ratio of emigrants to legal immigrants
Total, 1900-1989	38,319	12,231	0.32
1980-1989	7,869 ¹	1,950 ²	0.25
1970-1979 ³	4,334	1,176	0.27
1960-1969 ³	3,213	900	0.28
1950-1959 ³	2,500	425	0.17
1940-1949 ³	858	281	0.33
1930-1939 ³	699	649	0.93
1920-1929 ³	4,295	1,685	0.39
1910-1919 ³	6,348	2,157	0.34
1900-1909 ³	8,203	3,008	0.37

¹ From U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, 1998 Statistical Yearbook, Table 1.

² Assumption of 195,000 annual emigrants estimated by Ahmed and Robinson, 1994. "Estimates of Emigration of the Foreign-born Population: 1980-1990.", U.S. Census Bureau Technical Working Paper no. 9

³ From Warren and Kraly, 1985. "The Elusive Exodus: Emigration from the United States." PRB Population Trends and Public Policy paper no. 8, Table 1.